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#### Belgravia Community Hall

11540—73 Avenue

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## Attention Gardeners: Community Perennial Exchange in Arts Park

Belgravia Arts Park (74<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 115<sup>th</sup> Street) on Saturday May 26, 2012

10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. – Plants accepted

11:30 a.m. to 12 noon – Plant exchange

12 noon to 1 p.m. – Sale of unclaimed plants

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- ❖ All sales cash only

Also available

- ❖ Seedlings from the Belgravia native garden
- ❖ Refreshments
- ❖ Opportunity to talk gardening with other Belgravians!

\*In the event of inclement weather, the perennial exchange will take place on the north side of the community hall (skate change room)

## from the editor's desk...



*Sarah Chan, Belgravian Editor*

With the great spring thaw, it would appear that Belgravia is on the verge of transformation from snowy winter wonderland (gotta love our proximity to the river valley) to a neighbourhood in bloom! No doubt there will be many landscapes that

will be getting special attention over these warmer months; neighbours will be out enjoying their yards and porches; and gardens will be in bloom. Make sure to participate and drop into the **Perennial Exchange in the Arts Park on Saturday May 26th**. It will be a great opportunity to share your existing plants and pick up a few new ones for your yard.

Another date to watch out for in June will be Belgravia Community League's Annual General Meeting. I'll be sure to include more details pertaining to the date and time in the next issue, but we always welcome Belgravians to provide their input and lend their talents to our community. We are eager to have more avid Belgravians join our forces. Whatever your commitment level, there is no doubt that the contributions of our volunteers help continue to make Belgravia a most coveted neighbourhood.

The warm weather also means new recreational opportunities! Whether you're visiting a new (or newly improved) recreation centre (page 8); attending a day camp; dropping into the Greenshake Program (page 9); visiting a neighbourhood cubby museum (page 3); or just taking a leisurely bike ride in our beautiful residential streets (praise boulevards and tree-lined streets), I encourage you all to get out there and enjoy one of the most splendid times in our city!

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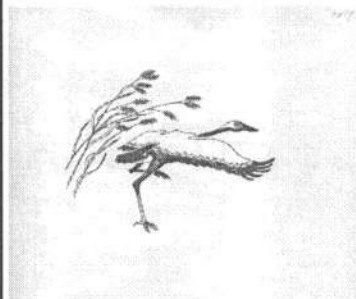
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# Jack and Alex Scrimger's Local Cubby Museum



From left: Constance Scarlett (Advancement Lead, Alberta Museums Assoc), Alex Scrimger, Jack Scrimger, Carrie-Ann Lunde (Communications Lead, Alberta Museums Assoc.)

Sarah Chan, *Belgravian* Editor

Local Belgravia School kids, Jack and Alex Scrimger, have recently curated a collection of their treasures in what they have now dubbed their "cubby museum" at their home here in the neighbourhood.

I took the opportunity to do a Q&A with the boys, and hope you will put a visit to the cubby museum on your list of walkable things to do here in Belgravia.

## **1. What inspired you to create your own museum at home/Where did you get the idea?**

Alex - Grandma's Schoolhouse Museum in Didsbury (my grandma, Frankie Kelly, is President of Didsbury & District Historical Society)

Jack - I asked my mom for two shelves in our office. I imagined using the space as my own museum.

## **2. How did you decide what to put in your museum?**

Alex - my favourite things.

Jack - Special stuff. Stuff I made at school, stuff from other countries, my rock collection and my seashell collection.

## **3. What are a few of your favourite pieces in the museum and why?**

Alex - Rocks. One has brown crystals on top. I like it because it has hidden gold and crystals. I also like this shiny blue one as it looks like frozen sky. This greeny-blue one looks like frozen ocean.

Jack - 1) Mexican money. It's different than Canadian money. 2) Cardboard model of the Titanic because I like the story of the Titanic sinking. 3) My *papier-maché* penguin that I made in Grade 2. It is the symbol for this museum. (I couldn't get him to elaborate on why he thought it represented the museum.)

## **4. What is a typical visit like?**

Jack - You enter the office. You look at the 6 shelves (Jack and Alex have now successfully

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## Jack and Alex's Cubby Museum [cont. from page 3]

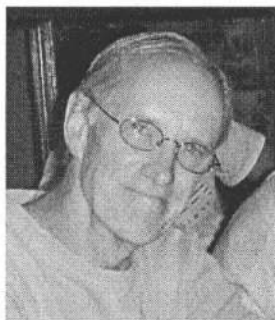
claimed six shelves of our parents' wall unit, increased from the original two shelves. I describe the items. You can ask me questions about the items. It takes about 10 minutes. You can make a donation if you'd like. Then you get a free glass of juice or water.

### 5. Do you think you will change your collection over time and continue to run the museum?

Jack - Yes, I think I will change the collection. The newer stuff will get put at the front of the shelves and the older stuff at the back. The older stuff will eventually have to be taken out if I get too much stuff. I think the museum will run for about 5 years. After 5 years, I might do other things with the shelves and not call it a museum.

Thank you Jack and Alex, for sharing your museum with Belgravia! If you are interested in visiting, please email Kim or Rufus at [rufkim@shaw.ca](mailto:rufkim@shaw.ca) to arrange a viewing.

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The weather cooperated with sunshine on March 31, and some 90 visitors moved through the museum. I wish to thank the volunteers and visitors from Belgravia for making the open house a success.

Congratulations to Aubrene Anderson of Allendale, who won a box of chocolates for the nearest estimate of the number of sheep pellets in the jar. Looking at the Guest Book, not only Edmontonians were there, but also a number of guests from as far away as Cremona and Redwood Meadows, Alberta.

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# The Other Community Garden at the University Farm

*Jeanette Boman, BCL Vice-President*

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Situated between the Foote Field track area to the north and east, the GO Centre to the south and an original U of A livestock barn to the west, the garden has been a prolific source of common as well as niche and culturally specific crops.

Because EOGG is a working group of The Alberta Public Interest Research Group (APIRG) and operate with support from the Imanta Latvian Society of Edmonton and The Faculty of Agriculture, Life and Environmental Sciences, there are no fees associated with being a member. EOGG asks only that participants help sow, maintain and harvest the garden according to their own abilities. Extra

produce is donated to agencies like the Edmonton Food Bank, The Boys and Girls Club, The Youth Emergency Shelter.

Because of its proximity to Belgravia, this is a wonderful opportunity for Belgravians wanting to be more involved in growing their own food along side a supportive group of like-minded people. Check EOGG out at <http://cogg.org/> or call Jeanette Boman (780 434 0379) if you would like to learn more about it in conversation.

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# Hardisty Fitness and Leisure Centre is Back and Better Than Ever!

*Ben Henderson, City of Edmonton Ward 8 Councillor*

On March 7, Hardisty Fitness and Leisure Centre at 10535 65 St re-opened after a year of renovations and upgrades, and it is great to have it back. I appreciate that many of you have been waiting patiently for the re-opening of the facility so that you could return to your regular fitness and recreation routines. And if you have never been, now is the perfect time to take in a weight training class or try out the swing rope into the pool!

While I appreciate that it was an inconvenience to many to have their favourite rec centre closed, I am pleased that the City was able to secure added funding from the Government of Alberta's Municipal Sustainability Initiative to complete additional work on the heating and cooling systems and energy efficiency of the building, which ultimately extends the lifecycle of the building. You will also notice the new whirlpool, sauna, steam room, family change room and the bold new artwork from Edmonton artist Jeff Kulak.

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As such, City Council has also asked for a report back from administration on how we could provide similar improvements to Bonnie Doon and Scona pools, plus opportunities to repurpose nearby arenas where applicable.

The City of Edmonton encourages all citizens to 'find their fit' with drop-in and registered fitness programs at the City's many recreation facilities, including at the newly revamped Hardisty Fitness and Leisure Centre. Pick up the **Spring E Active Guide** at your local rec centre, visit [edmonton.ca/ereg](http://edmonton.ca/ereg), or call **311** to register in a class or for more information. With more than 50 programs from aquafit to Zumba, there is a perfect fit for you.

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As always, I value your feedback. Please contact me at 780.496.8146 or [ben.henderson@edmonton.ca](mailto:ben.henderson@edmonton.ca)

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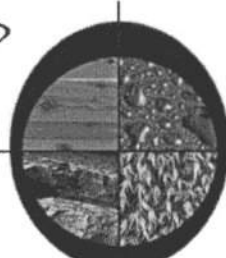
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